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Not fair to make elderly pay for others' mistakes

Alan Greenspan has recommended that reducing Social Security benefits to older people is the answer to a potential fiscal crisis. Oh, yes, and raise the age of eligibility while you're at it. Greenspan knows that Social Security is one of the few programs that is in good shape. And, he also knows that the elderly bear no responsibility for the decisions of the current administration that have brought us to this potential fiscal crisis.

Why should the elderly bear the brunt of the solution? Social Security is the primary source of income for millions of elderly and/or those who have disabilities, as well as more than 4 million children.

As chairman of the Outreach and Advocacy Committee of the Advisory Council on Aging and Disability, I urge all who know someone on Social Security to write to their legislators and let them know that they oppose any attempt to use Social Security as a method of resolving our country's fiscal mess.

It is not the right bank to rob to correct the administration's unfortunate fiscal decisions.

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